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## FISHING LEADER LINE HOLDER

The following statement is a full description of this invention, including the best method of performing it known to me:

## ABSTRACT

A fishing leader line holder device is disclosed. The device is a cylindrical tube (1) with symmetrical holes (2) circumjacent and extending up/down the lower half of the tube to accommodate fishing hooks (7) of various size. Slots (3) are made around the top lip in the vertical position. Leaders (4,5,6) of various length are held in tension on the outside of the tube (1) while the point of the hook (7) is safely inside one of the holes (2). The other end of the leader (4,5,6) containing the barrel swivel (8) and running sinker (9) is located inside one of the slots (3).

This device is capable of carrying numerous, ready made up, leader lines to the fishing spot safely, securely and without tangle.

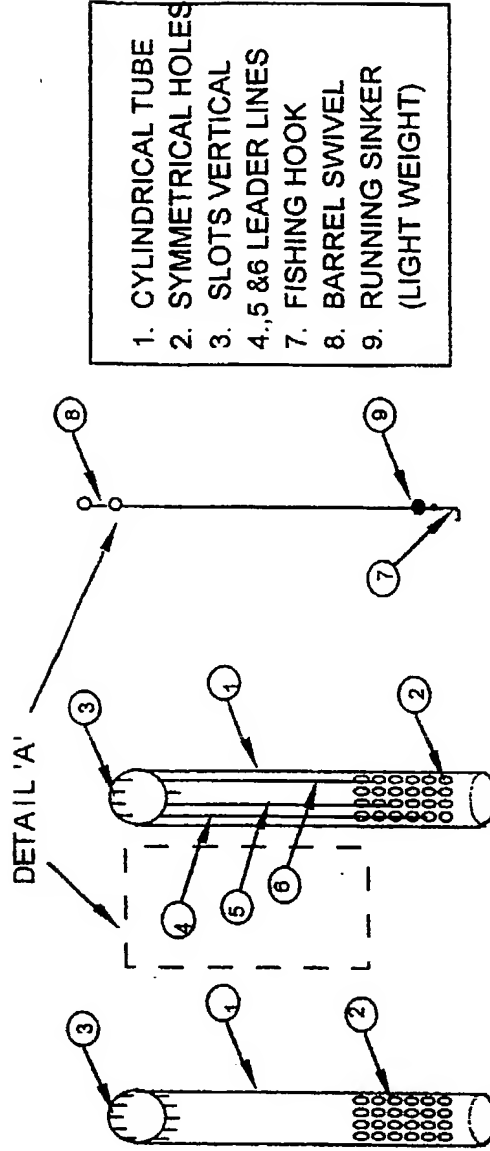


FIG.3 (Detail A)

FIG.2

FIG.1

## FISHING LEADER LINE HOLDER

This invention relates to improvements in devices for transporting fishing leader lines to the point of fishing. The bane of every fisher person is Lost Time out of the water because leaders are tangled, broken off, irrecoverable from fishes mouth or snagged on submerged objects. By the time hooks, swivels, weights and line are found in a packed tackle box, the fish have moved on.

There have been some attempts to provide a suitable and safe container for transporting ready made fishing leader lines, but these all required an inner and outer tube section. For example, one previous device had an inner section containing gearing cogs and springs, presumably to keep the lines in tension. A complicated and elaborate device to perform a simple task.

This complexity is overcome by the present invention, which provides a fishing leader line holder consisting of a single rigid plastic tube, with slits circumjacent in one end of the tube and symmetrical holes circumjacent and extending up/down the tube from the other end.

In one form of the invention the fishing leader line holder consists of a cylindrical tube with symmetrical holes circumjacent and extending up/down the tube to accommodate fishing hooks of various size. These retaining holes ensure that the point of the hook is safely secured inside the tube, making it easy and safe to carry by hand. The holes extend up/down to a depth suitable to accommodate fishing leader lines of various length. Symmetrical and circumjacent slits in the opposite end of the tube are made to accommodate the other end of the fishing leader line containing the barrel swivel and running sinker. An extra length leader may be accommodated by simply allowing the hook end of the leader line to pass through the tube and then locate the point of the hook in the most appropriate hole.

In another form of the invention the tube is rectangle with similar holes and slots as the cylindrical device.

In another form of the invention the device is plane (as in flat or level surface) with similar holes and slots as the cylindrical device.

The tube or plane, fishing leader line holder, may be made of any suitable material, such as moulded plastic, metal or wood.

To assist with understanding the invention, reference will now be made to the accompanying drawings which show one example of the invention.

In the drawings:

Fig. 1 shows one example of a fishing leader line holder of the cylindrical type according to this invention.

Fig. 2 shows an example of typical leader lines attached to the holder.

Fig. 3 shows a typical fishing leader line assembly.

Referring to Fig. 1 it can be seen that the fishing leader line holder device according to this invention consists of a single cylindrical tube 1. Having symmetrical circumjacent holes 2 extending up/down the lower half of the tube. Symmetrical circumjacent slots 3 are formed around the top lip of the tube.

Fig. 2 shows leaders 4, 5 and 6 attached to the holder 1. Fishing hook 7 is safely held in hole 2. While running sinker 9 and barrel swivel 8 are retained in slot 3.

It should be noted that the natural elasticity of lines 4, 5 and 6 ensure they do not tangle or fall off the device.

It will be realised that the fishing leader line holder according to this invention is not restricted to the cylindrical type shown in the example, but the principle may be applied to a rectangle tube or plane surface.

The claims defining the invention are as follows :

1. A fishing leader line holder device comprising a single rigid cylindrical tube with symmetrical circumjacent holes extending up/down the lower half of the tube, symmetrical circumjacent slots are formed around the top lip of the tube.
2. The fishing leader line holder of claim 1 wherein the rigid tube is of rectangle shape.
3. The fishing leader line holder of claim 1 wherein the symmetrical holes and slots are presented on a plane surface.
4. The fishing leader line holder of claims 1 wherein the rigid tube is made of moulded plastic.
5. A fishing leader line holder device substantially as herein described with reference to the accompanying drawings.

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